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LB 80, 85, 126, 328, 378, 412, 435
468, 476, 547

General File, 468 General File, 476 General File, 378 indefinitely postponed, all signed by Senator Schmit. Government reports 547 to General File, 80 indefinitely postponed, 85, 328, 412 and 435 all indefinitely postponed and I have notice of hearing from Government, Mr. President. (See pages 922-924 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Wesely would move to amend LB 126. Senator Wesely's amendment is on page 564 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. President, members, I appreciate the vote on the kill motion, thank you. There is one technical change that needs to be made to 126. It was brought to my attention by the Department of Revenue. The amendment is on page 564 of the Journal. On page 2 of the bill, down on line 25 and 26 there are three fiscal years identified and that was the original bill, it only ran for three fiscal years. The Legislature was authorized to appropriate certain amounts of money to the energy resource fund, to the State Energy Office, to the Revenue Department and the Gasohol Committee for various functions. It was authorization, but it wasn't mandated. If you'll look at the handout I had, you can see that they didn't actually fund to the level that was authorized under that section, but we need to extend for three more years which is how long the program will be extended under LB 126, that authorization, plus there is another section added to what that funding can be used for and that would be in the collection of the severance tax. There was another bill that we had that dealt with that, but that would be part of the Revenue Department's authorization. Again, this would be left in the hands of the Appropriations Committee. It doesn't actually spend any money, but the authorization would be there for the committee to take action on, so I would ask support for this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Is there discussion on Senator Wesely's amendment? If not, the motion is to adopt the Wesely amendment to LB 126. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.